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No hot water over weekend for some

Online maintenance request system still down; some problems resolved by Sunday night

Sarah Ellis

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When overnight temperatures dropped into the 30s this weekend, some students living on campus went without heat in their rooms, and others dealt with a lack of heated water.

Meanwhile, University Housing's FIXX Online maintenance request service has been and remains out of order.

Attempts to reach housing facilities management representatives were unsuccessful Monday afternoon.

Residents of Rutledge College on the Horseshoe reported having no hot water over the weekend and said they have had ongoing issues with air temperature in their apartments.

Students living in Capstone House said they were without hot water this weekend, and students in other residence halls, including Bates West, said they have had problems with heating in their dorms since returning for the spring semester.

"I don't even remember it ever being warm in my room since I got back from winter break," said Hayley Dwyer, a first-year management and marketing student living in Bates West. "My thermostat says that it's 85 degrees in my dorm, but it's definitely not. [The heat] is cranked up all the way, and I still sleep in sweatpants and a hoodie every night."

Rutledge residents said their hot water was restored by the end of the weekend, but they expressed concern over the communication channels for maintenance requests.



Brian Almond / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Residents of Rutledge College and Capstone House dealt with hot water and heating issues over the cold weekend.

With the FIXX website currently inoperable, students said they could only call and leave messages with the automated FIXX answering service and went through their resident mentor to have the problem resolved.

First-year pharmacy student Amy Yanicak's Rutledge apartment was without both heat and heated water

this weekend, though both issues were resolved by Sunday night.

"Once the maintenance people find out that there is an issue, they usually are on top of it really quickly," Yanicak said. "But I think the system that informs them of what's going on doesn't work well enough sometimes. And I understand they can't be on

call 24/7, but for emergencies there should be a way."

The Horseshoe residence halls are among the oldest on campus, and they're also the most expensive. Housing fees for Rutledge are \$3,500 per semester.

"In an apartment complex, if we

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Ostebo to represent USC in DC lobbying delegation

Interfraternity council will advocate for Panhellenic issues in Washington

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Former Sorority Council President Chelsea Ostebo will serve on an all-Greek delegation to advocate issues of importance to sorority and fraternity college students in April.

Ostebo, a fourth-year marketing student, will be in Washington, D.C., from April 21 to 25 with the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) and the National Panhellenic Conference and will lobby Congress on its behalf.

On the agenda for the week is the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, hazing legislation, preserving the tax deductions for charitable contributions and other issues related to college affordability.

"Very few Greeks are even aware of [the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act] and how it and the other issues I will be lobbying for directly affect them," Ostebo said. "It is my hope that after this trip I will be able to return to USC and educate those on the work I have done as well as ways they can get involved."

Ostebo was one of fewer than 100 chosen from a pool of 700 applicants. She will be the only



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Former Sorority Council President Chelsea Ostebo will lobby in April.

student representing USC on the panel.

Over the next several months, Ostebo said she has a lot to prepare, including gathering information on the topics, getting endorsement letters from university officials and possibly passing a resolution through Student Government. She will also correspond with other members traveling to Capitol Hill in preparation.

"As someone who believes in the Greek experience wholeheartedly, I know it is my responsibility to advocate for our community whenever and wherever I can," Ostebo said.

The application to be a member of the NIC delegation

required experience in a fraternity or sorority, as well as political involvement on campus. In addition to serving as USC's Sorority Council president, Ostebo served as vice president of Sorority Council's programming board and was vice president of education for Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

"I am most excited to be a part of an experience that merges the NIC and [National Panhellenic Conference]. I work mostly to advocate for women's issues on a day-to-day basis, so working with men's groups will give me a new perspective," Ostebo said.

DG

Job fairs bring more than 150 employers today

Career Center offers tips for success

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Students should come with resumes in hand and knowledge in mind to today's Career Fest and Science, Engineering and Technology fairs, ready to make a professional impression on the more than 150 employers who will be there, according to Career Center representative Erica Lake.

Potential employers will expect students to already have knowledge of their companies and of their position offerings, so students should do some research of their own prior to meeting with recruiters at the fair, said Lake, the Career Center's assistant director for employer relations.

Upon arriving at the fairs, students will find informational handshake and personal introduction

stations, where they will be briefly versed on how to make a good first impression on recruiters. First impressions, Lake said, are very important.

Lake offered other tips for students attending the event:

— **D r e s s** professionally. For women, this means wearing a dress or dress pants with a collared shirt and close-toed shoes. For men, a suit is preferred, otherwise a button-down shirt with slacks and a tie. Students should not wear jeans, shorts, hats or other casual attire.

— **D r e s s i n g** professionally is very important because people typically will make a judgment call within the first minute of knowing someone," Lake said. "They want to know whether you will be able to represent their company in a professional manner, and that comes across in how you dress, how

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Columbia must-eats

The Oyster Bar is included in the three reasonably priced eateries every Columbia diner should try on a night out.

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Waiting for the one

Columnist Chris Norberg highlights why students should not bend to peer pressure regarding sex.

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SPORTS



Men's basketball

The Gamecocks will travel to No. 4 Florida on Wednesday night in hopes of a second consecutive SEC win.

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Research office hosts student video contest

Finalists to be presented at Discovery Day; \$500 prize for winner

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The Office of Research is hosting a video contest that will provide students the opportunity to research a topic they're passionate about, share their findings and earn some cash.

Administrative Coordinator Jack Beasley said the Office of Research was looking for a way to show off great work that students are doing, as well as to raise awareness of what the Office of Research is about.

The idea for the contest is for students to gain firsthand experiences with research and to tell their own stories to their own peers, Beasley said.

"Research does not have to mean what comes to mind when you think of the word 'research.' We're looking for creativity or for students to think of a funny way to tell their story. We want it to be fun, but we also want it to have a message about what [they're] passionate about," Beasley said.

Students may work alone or in groups to create a five-minute research video and post it on YouTube. The videos must focus on some aspect of student research, but creativity is encouraged,, according to Jeff Stensland, a USC spokesperson. Finalists will be determined by

the number of YouTube likes received.

For video inspiration, students may look to projects from a similar contest recently held by the School of Medicine. Nursing students created music videos to explain their experience in the health profession for the "Memmys," or Medical Emmys, contest.

Beasley mentioned a recent student project involving an elementary school and a study of how theater helps change students' self-perception as an example of research opportunities students could explore.

"There are tons of opportunities for students to explore what they're interested in and passionate about if they ask," Beasley said. "There are ways for them to have interesting experiences outside of the classroom. Friends of the student might see their video and might think it's cool and ask themselves, 'What can I do?'"

Contest finalists will show their videos to an audience at Discovery Day on April 26, when the winner will be formally announced.

The top three contestants will be selected by a panel from USC Division of Communications, the Graduate School, the Office of Technology Commercialization, the Office of the Vice President for Research and the Office of Undergraduate Research, according to Stensland.

Cash prizes of \$500, \$300 and \$150 will go to the top three submissions, respectively. The contest is open to both undergraduate and graduate students.

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you speak and how you carry yourself."

— Bring resume copies. Include past internships, leadership positions and volunteer experiences. Other points employers will look for on resumes include examples of initiative, effective communication skills and project management.

"Identify in your resume the ways that you have made an impact. If you have improved in operation, that is impressive," Lake said.

— Ask questions, and take notes. Lake suggests making notes on the back of a company's business card while speaking with recruiters.

— Follow up. Most of the employers represented at the fair will be on campus as soon as the following day or within the next few months to conduct interviews with students, Lake said. She suggests sending a follow-up email to the company soon after talking with recruiters at the fair.

"That personal interaction that they've had face to face is very important, and the follow-up is important. It shows the candidate is really interested in the position and takes the initiative to follow up," Lake said.

— Don't stock up on freebies.

"Be aware of perception," Lake said. "Be more focused on the employment opportunities than the free stuff."

The S.E.T. and Career Fest fairs will be held concurrently at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center from noon to 4 p.m. today. Shuttles will run to and from the event between 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., picking up at Russell House, Capstone House and Swearingin Engineering Center.

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went without those amenities for a weekend, they would have to reimburse us. But here we just deal with problems and they fix them eventually, but we're still paying the same amount," Yanicak said.

Yanicak's roommate Katie Pennington, a second-year pharmacy student, said students who choose to live in older buildings like Rutledge do so knowing they may be more prone to need repairs.

"I put up with it just for the proximity and the scenery (of the Horseshoe)," Pennington said. "It's easy to criticize, but we all agree that we love living here, despite all of it. It's worth it to me."

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Halley ethics commission releases recommendations

Lawmakers received recommendations for new ethics rules Monday from Gov. Nikki Haley’s recently appointed ethics commission.

Led by former Attorneys General Henry McMaster and Travis Medlock, the commission made 23 suggestions that included requiring lawmakers to disclose all sources of public and private income, raising the amounts of ethics violation fines, speeding response time and lowering costs for Freedom of Information requests, WIS and The State reported.

“We are attempting to put South Carolina in a class by herself when it comes to honest government, good ethics rules and the reputation for integrity and honesty in its public officials,” McMaster told WIS.

Haley appointed the commission in October after ethics in state politics began drawing much attention. Members of the governor’s commission include former U.S. attorneys, state ethics commission members and media representatives.

— Sarah Ellis, Assistant News Editor

Richland deputies look for Peeping Toms

Folks, keep your peepers peeled: The Richland County Sheriff’s Department is seeking information from anyone who might know about two Peeping Tom incidents earlier this month.

Deputies have dealt with two separate reports of persons caught peering into homes in January.

The first occurred at a home on Dutch Oaks Drive on Jan. 6, when a woman said she noticed a shadow in the window of her bathroom then pulled back the blinds and saw a large man running away, WIS reported. And on Jan. 21 at a home on Brighton Hill Road, a surveillance video showed a man dressed in dark clothing peeking into a bedroom window, WIS said.

Deputies are looking for two suspects in the incidents.

— Sarah Ellis, Assistant News Editor

Scouts to consider lifting ban on gay members

The Boy Scouts of America is a step closer to allowing openly gay members in its troops.

The organization announced Monday that it is considering changes to its policy banning openly gay members, CNN reported. In a statement, BSA said the national board may consider allowing local charter organizations to make their own decisions on gay membership.

“The policy change under discussion would allow the religious, civic or educational organizations that oversee and deliver Scouting to determine how to address this issue,” the statement said.

The Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation began calling for an end to the Scouts’ ban in April 2012, according to CNN.

Gay rights advocates applauded the statement, CNN reported, but the conservative Family Research Council said lifting the ban on gay members “would be making a serious mistake.”

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Boy Scout openness should be encouraged

The Boy Scouts of America, infamously known for excluding various members, is slowly but surely becoming more inclusive.

The organization has recently started reconsidering its membership restrictions based on sexual orientation and nonreligious beliefs. This is a quick and dramatic change of heart for an organization that was committed to its policy of banning gay members along with other members who don't narrowly fit its world view just seven months ago.

However, there is cause for concern. When the issue comes up at a biannual Boy Scouts of America meeting in February, it's likely that local religious and civic groups that sponsor individual scout units would be able to determine whether or not to reevaluate their membership policies. Unfortunately, this means that such groups, like Columbia's own Indian Waters Council, could decide to still discriminate against gays and atheists.

As members of a university that has been celebrated countless times for its commitment to diversity, we're proud Boy Scouts of America is at least attempting to correct its past wrongs. In the struggle for gay rights, this new policy change will send a strong message to gay youth, reaffirming their value in society, and will continue to usher in an era of open-mindedness and equality. Although it's a small step in the right direction, it's a step all Gamecocks should be proud of.

Reminder

Vote in our online poll regarding USC's new student health center.



Studies suggest students rethink sex

Later intimate experience benefits in long-term

With movies like "American Pie" and television shows like "Blue Mountain State," it's easy to buy into the notion that college is just a sexual playground. This is college, and we're supposed to be having the time of our lives.

After all, there's no one to condemn us for not following old-fashioned ways of waiting until marriage to have sex, right?

This is the modern age, where we're sexually liberated and basically free to experiment without the confines of a monogamous matrimonial relationship. But scientific and secular studies are showing that the "old-fashioned, religious" ways of treating premarital sex may be better after all.

Individuals who experience their first sexual encounter later may have more satisfying adult romantic relationships due to accumulated cognitive and emotional maturity, according to a study conducted by the University of Texas.

These people were also more likely to be happier solving conflicts, giving and reciprocating affection and engaging in day-to-day activities with their partners. Higher levels of education and a higher income also correlate with later sexual experiences.



Chris Norberg
Third-year pre-pharmacy student

There are benefits for couples, too. Couples who wait until marriage to have sex ranked relationship stability, relationship satisfaction and sexual quality higher than couples who engaged in premarital sex, according to a study appearing in the Journal of Family Psychology. The same benefits were present with those who waited to have sex until deep in a relationship.

Couples that held off on sex were given extra time to learn about each other and develop skills for a better relationship. Waiting helps the relationship develop better communication processes, increasing long-term stability and satisfaction.

Waiting to have sex in a relationship also helps prevent the unfortunate aftermath of sexual freedom. Casual sex can lead to sexually transmitted diseases, psychological effects, unwanted pregnancies and abortions.

Ultimately, it is up to the individual to choose whether to become sexually active or not. No laws should prohibit individuals from expressing their freedom, and no one should be labeled with a scarlet letter if they choose to do so.

However, it is important to note that future consequences occur from one's current actions. Those consequences affect not only you, but also current partners, future partners and potential children.

Homeschooling outshines public education system

At-home learning deserves better reputation in US

America's public education ranks low among countries in the developed world. With Pearson recently ranking American educational attainment No. 17 in its index of education in developed countries, is there any wonder, then, why many Americans consider homeschoolers



Stevan Novakovic
Fourth-year international business student

While homeschoolers are often lampooned in our society as being dorky, awkward loners or Christian fundamentalists, this stereotype is misconceived. With more than 2 million children now being educated at home, there is much diversity. Not only do homeschoolers come from families of all religious (and nonreligious) identities, around 15 percent are minorities. In addition, many homeschooled children are heavily involved in various community activities.

Academically, homeschoolers scored above their public school counterparts by a composite average of 36 percentage points, according to a Home School Legal Defense study. With public school averages being the 50th percentile, homeschoolers consistently scored far above that with an average of 89th percentile in reading and 86th percentile in science. There's also no real discrepancy between boys and girls, or even depending on wage earnings by family.

Is this to say that parents should immediately withdraw their children from public school? Of course not. However, homeschooling should be remembered as a viable option for a quality education.

Consistency needed in Catholic institutions

Religious hospital shouldn't change position on abortion for legal defense

Abortion has long been a controversial topic in our nation. Many anti-abortion activists defend their opinion through their religious beliefs, and the Catholic Church has upheld the belief that life begins from the moment of conception and ends at death. However, a recent court case seems to entirely contradict this opinion.

A woman from Colorado named Lori Stodghill suffered a heart attack while pregnant with twins and passed away in a hospital in 2006. St. Thomas Moore Hospital doctors opted against a cesarean section attempt to save the fetuses, leading to the twins' death. Stodghill's husband Jeremy believes the doctors should have attempted the surgery to save his sons and sued the hospital two years later.

The owner of the hospital, Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI), requested the charges be dismissed on account of the Colorado state law that declared that an embryo is not a person

until it is alive. So far, the court has ruled in favor of CHI in direct contradiction to their Catholic beliefs, which is creating huge public support for Jeremy Stodghill.



Kathryn Duggan
Third-year journalism student

Every person is entitled to his or her opinion on the matter of abortion and when life begins. That said, the manipulation of this opinion in order to benefit oneself is unacceptable. A hospital cannot consider itself a Catholic institution and not follow its Catholic beliefs. The church holds a public stance against abortion, and so it is not Catholic to then support the law opposing that same view when the hospital's actions are being challenged. The law it's using to protect itself could be interpreted to show no issue with abortion because it suggests that since an embryo is not alive, no life is placed in danger.

If the church is not prepared to support this idea, it should not be able to use it in its

defense. Legally, the Catholic Health Initiative's argument should hold because if the law states that a fetus is not alive, the surgery was not necessary because they were not people. But morally, this should be reconsidered. While the CHI can use this law, it does not believe in it. Therefore, it was not the true reason behind their actions.

This particular instance suggests that the opinion of the church is that life begins at conception only when it benefits them. While this case is extreme, it will cause people to question the integrity of the Catholic Church and its beliefs.

This case is only one hospital representing the Catholic Church. However, if the defendant continues to win support, including that of the Supreme Court, without protest from Catholic bishops, it can only be assumed that the Catholic Church is in support of CHI's argument.

IT'S YOUR RIGHT

The goal of The Daily Gamecock's Viewpoints page is to stimulate discussion in the University of South Carolina community. All published authors are expected to provide logical arguments to back their views.

The Daily Gamecock encourages readers to voice opinions and offers three methods of expression: letters to the editor, guest columns and feedback on dailygamecock.com.

Letters and guest columns should be submitted via email to editor@dailygamecock.com. Letters must be 200 to 300 words in length and include

the author's name, year in school and area of study.

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Must-eats: Columbia’s tastiest local fare

Neighborhood eateries offer city’s best for student budgets

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The city of Columbia is known for many things: lively college nightlife in Five Points, a perpetual thick layer of humidity, missing governors and, of course, our Gamecocks. Is it the pinnacle of fine dining and gourmet cuisine? Not so much. But believe it or not, there are plenty of dining spots right around the corner that can fit any budget and any taste.

Whether you prefer a hole-in-the-wall diner or the white tablecloth, “May I take your coat, sir?” experience, these eateries demand at least one visit during the half of your collegiate experience you don’t spend in class — or at the bar.

Pawleys Front Porch
827 Harden St.
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A Five Points’ favorite for some time now, Pawleys Front Porch was tacked on the national map when “Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives” brought loudmouth host Guy Fieri (and his equally loud bleached hair) to the burger joint for a television spot. And the grills haven’t stopped cooking since.

Loved by locals for its spacious front porch, draft brews and jaw-unhinging burgers, the Front Porch melds a blend of tasty ingredients like guacamole, pineapple, cured ham and house-made jalapeno pimento cheese into a medley of hand-patted burgers with names pulled straight from the Lowcountry index.

Crowd-pleasers like the Wadmalaw burger with chipotle barbecue sauce and fried pickle chips or the Caw Caw Creek patty with green tomato and jalapeno bacon swim alongside



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Dano’s has a number of premade

pizzas to tantalize every taste bud, including a meat lover pizza for the carnivorous diner or the slightly tamer veggie pizza for those who prefer a little more green on their pie. And if you’re feeling creative, dive into any number of fresh toppings like broccoli, banana peppers, feta cheese and bacon. If you’re not a pizza person (and you will be after one Dano’s slice) try one of the homemade calzones, salads or sub sandwiches.

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‘Hansel & Gretel’ witch hunt goes awry

Courtesy of MCT Campus

“Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters”
NOW IN THEATERS

Director:

Tommy Wirkola

Starring:

Jeremy Renner, Gemma Arterton, Famke Jansser

Rating:

R for strong horror violence, brief sexuality and language

New film favors battle scenes, fairy tales over believability, acting

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The entire concept behind “Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters” sounds completely invented by two drunk guys after a few rounds of beer pong. Here’s how the conversation probably went:

Guy 1: “Dude, what if Hansel and Gretel grew up and started killing witches? How awesome would that be?”

Guy 2: “Yeah, and they could use a lot of F-bombs

and funny lines like David Caruso’s from ‘CSI: Miami.’”

Guy 1: “And they fight during a bunch of slow-motion action scenes with tons of gore and explosions!”

Aside from vampires and zombies, fairy tale revivals have become the “it” factor in entertainment, from television shows like “Once Upon a Time” to movies like “Red Riding Hood” and “Snow White and the Huntsman.” At least these past revivals weren’t besieged with silly modern slang and weapons more fitting for a 19th-century spaghetti Western.

This would be the part of the review where I write a brief plot synopsis, but I couldn’t even get a sense of the country or time period. It seems like the Middle Ages based on the costumes and setting, but Hansel (Jeremy Renner) and Gretel (Gemma Arterton) carry around some kind of prototype stun gun when electricity hadn’t been discovered yet.

I would write that the story involves the siblings 15 years after the gingerbread house incident and incorporates witch-hunting and something about a Blood Moon ritual, but the movie is nothing more than an excuse for a series of barely connected battle scenes with numerous decapitations, exploding bodies and plenty of gunfire in the name of killing witches. I don’t want to spoil it all, but trust me, it’s insanely

dumb.

Director and co-writer Tommy Wirkola deserves a little credit, though — he sure comes up with inventive ways for characters to meet violent ends. Wires eviscerate witches, and magic dismembers them; a troll squashes a human head like raspberry jelly, and a man explodes from deadly maggots. Mixing up the action might keep the movie entertaining, but it gets incredibly boring after a while.

“Witch Hunters” tries to present itself as self-aware, but there’s nothing clever about filling an R-rated fairy tale with modern expletives. The dialogue is way too reliant on profane one-liners, making this one fairy tale you don’t want to take the entire family to see.

There’s also the issue of logic. Both Hansel and Gretel establish that the best way to kill a witch is to “set her on fire,” yet the siblings never consider carrying a pair of flamethrowers. Instead, Wirkola focuses on having the witch hunters fire semiautomatic crossbows, stun guns and a giant Gatling gun.

After that terrible “Bourne Legacy,” Renner (“The Town”) continues his punking of the academy that gave him two Oscar nominations. Besides believing that all witches should burn, there isn’t much to his

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character or Gretel. The movie doesn't even fully establish Hansel's diabetes. Where does Hansel keep getting his shot of insulin, Ye Olde CVS?

Arterton is beautiful and looks great wearing leather pants and head-butting guys in the nose, but her character acts like a punching bag. At least this style of acting keeps the stunt women employed. Plus, half of her dialogue consists of screaming out what we just saw her do on screen.

The one-dimensional acting efforts from Peter Stormare as the slimy sheriff and Famke Janssen as the child-snatching witch Hansel and Gretel need to dispatch only add insult to injury.

Taking the words out of Janssen's mouth, "Once upon a time, in a [expletive] little town," there was a really bad movie. Much like a house made out candy in the woods, it's best to just walk on by.

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Gemini

A new beginning comes after a poignant ending, and creativity is at a peak. A critic may be annoying but could also be right. A whole new world opens up.

Cancer

A partner helps you to work from home, which could be convenient, given the intense emotion. Apply what you've learned.

Leo

Avoid a work argument for blissful productivity. Figure out your money for the next two days to discover savings. A theory gets challenged; it could get expensive.

Virgo

Be patient with someone who's being nasty. These days are good for compromise and for forming partnerships. Expand your influence, and income climbs higher.

Libra

Enter a new, more receptive period with two days of intense work. Set lofty goals and get into action. Costs may be higher than expected. Edit unnecessary frills.

Scorpio

Romance is a growing possibility. Begin a new creative project. Shop carefully, and keep track of the orders.

Sagittarius

Decline an expensive invitation. Schedule a gathering of friends instead. You're good at solving problems, so deal graciously with a critic. Commitments made now last..

Capricorn

You're even smarter than usual. Determine what's required, and keep schedules rigorously synched. Keep it simple with popcorn and a movie at home.

Aquarius

Your ideas are attracting attention, which is great for your confidence. The next two days can be quite profitable.

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8 Put down

14 Calder Cup org.

15 Take it easy

16 _ threat: performer who can sing, dance and act

17 Ergot host

18 Part of an astronomy degree?

20 All of us, to Bugs

22 Like Inverted Jenny stamps

23 As it _

24 Part of a surgery degree?

27 Reward of a kind

28 "Good move, torero!"

29 Shot target

32 Component of some screwdrivers, briefly

34 West of Brooklyn

35 Crabby

36 Part of a physics degree?

40 Responsibility

41 Gp. for GPs

42 Like mottoes

43 They're often sold in blocks, for short

44 Bra part

45 Surprise, sometimes

47 Part of an economics degree?

51 Bit with a nucleus

53 Act the affectionate

grandparent

54 High-grade cotton

55 Part of a theology degree?

58 Code word for "N" in the old U.S. Phonetic Alphabet

59 Rather, once

60 Security concern

61 _ salad

62 Mendel's field

63 Actor Morales

64 The car in Thurber's 1933 story "The Car

DOWN

1 Repeated cacophonic sound?

2 Words to a kiddie

3 Hoover rival

4 Without exception

5 Grieves

6 Conduct

7 Joan _

8 Gas station convenience

9 Shop for books

10 White House staffers

11 Type of poker?

12 Model

Macpherson

13 "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" author Brown

19 Bit of kindness from a bank

21 Gate divisions, at the track

25 Unusual clock number

26 Smart _

29 Clementine's dad, for one

30 Verdant

31 1934 chemistry Nobel

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32 Caber thrower

33 "Unbreak My Heart" singer Braxton

34 Milking murmur

35 Get ready to play

37 Ostracize

38 Bar

39 Down-home theater

44 "Be serious!"

45 Artificial turf sites

46 Ring of color

47 Eponymous Yemeni seaport

48 Singer with the

1995 album "Velvet and Brass"

49 JPEG file content

50 Suggestive dance

51 Pisa's river

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USC braces for No. 4 Florida

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Though South Carolina coach Frank Martin said he felt “relief” after the win over Arkansas, the Gamecocks must prepare to travel to No. 4 Florida on Wednesday night.

Gamecocks travel to highly ranked Gators, looking for second straight SEC win

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Even after a 75-54 win over Arkansas on Saturday, coach Frank Martin was not caught up in celebrating South Carolina’s performance.

“One of my real good friends in this business said to me, ‘Frank, our business has gotten to a place where losing is misery and winning is relief,’” Martin said after the game. “So whether we win by one or 56, I guess I have a little relief where I can enjoy my kids and sleep for a night.

“But then (when) I wake up on Monday and have to watch Florida on tape, I get depressed again.”

The Gamecocks (12-7, 2-4 SEC) will face their toughest test of the season so far when they take on the No. 4 Gators (16-2, 6-0) at the Stephen C. O’Connell Center on Wednesday night.

Florida’s only two losses on the season have come against ranked teams. The Gators fell to No. 8 Arizona and No. 18 Kansas State in nonconference play, but they won their sixth

consecutive SEC game Saturday, blowing out Mississippi State 82-47.

Florida is No. 2 in the country in scoring defense, allowing just more than 51 points per game this season.

“What makes them even better defensively is that on offense, they don’t turn it over and they take good shots, which allows your defense to set,” Martin said in the SEC Coaches Teleconference on Monday.

On offense, shooting is one of the Gators’ greatest strengths. Their field-goal percentage is 49.3, which ranks ninth in the nation. Four players average more than 10 points, led by Kenny Boynton with 13.6 per game.

“It’s easier to defend a team that has one really good player who keeps the ball,” Martin said. “It’s hard to defend teams like Florida that have so many guys, and the ball never sticks.”

He added that a large factor in Florida’s success is veteran leadership. The Gators’ roster includes three seniors and six juniors, and Martin said the players buy into Florida’s system of selfless play.

Six games into South Carolina’s SEC schedule, junior guard Brenton Williams has emerged as

the Gamecocks’ leading scorer with 11.6 points per game. In his second season at USC, the junior has taken on a greater role in the offense after averaging just fewer than six points last year.

Although the USC has struggled with its shooting at times this season, the team is third in the conference in rebounding. Offensive rebounding resulted in 15 second-chance points for the Gamecocks against the Razorbacks.

“That’s the only way we’re going to win,” said junior guard Brian Richardson, who had six rebounds against Arkansas.

Facing the Gators has some personal meaning for Martin, who called Florida “the only college basketball I ever knew growing up.” He mentioned Ronnie Williams and Vernon Delancy as players he watched in the 1980s.

But the game will also present a learning experience for South Carolina’s young squad.

“Playing against a team like that in their building is going to challenge us to be the best team that we can possibly be to even remotely have a chance,” Martin said. “Having to focus in that hard makes you a better basketball team.”

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Women’s tennis falls to ranked Michigan

USC handed first loss of season in Ann Arbor

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With a spot in the ITA National Team Indoor Championship on the line Sunday in Ann Arbor, South Carolina was handed its first loss of the season by the No. 16 Michigan Wolverines.

No. 31 USC kicked off its national competition season over the weekend, playing two matches in as many days in the ITA event hosted by Michigan, picking up one win and one loss to bring its record to 3-1 overall. The trip was the team’s first action outside of Columbia since the start of the spring season.

Saturday pitted the Gamecocks against SEC rival and No. 53 Missouri in a contest that was not decided until the conclusion of the final singles match of the day. South Carolina raced out to an early 3-1 lead behind singles victories from senior Adriana Pereira and junior Katerina Popova, but Mizzou mounted a two-match comeback to tie the overall score at three apiece.

The up-and-down day for South Carolina could be the result of a new philosophy coach Kevin Epley has instilled in his team for the spring season.

“Basically the philosophy that we’re having this semester is to focus on improvement and the things that we can control day to day,” Epley said. “We’ll kind of let the results take care of themselves just as long as we stay engaged in that process.”



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A match between No. 96 Katerina Popova and No. 61 Ronit Yurovsky was cut short Sunday.

The Gamecocks clinched the win over the Tigers when senior Josefin Andersson took a 7-5 victory off Mizzou’s Madison Rhyner.

“[Andersson] has been in situations before ... where she lost those points,” Epley said. “So I think it was really important for her confidence-wise, and quite frankly she performed very well.”

Andersson and Popova have both compiled undefeated singles records for the Gamecocks in the early goings of the spring campaign.

As winners from the day before, South Carolina and Michigan faced off Sunday, putting their respective unbeaten spring marks on the line. The doubles play headlined Sunday’s action, as the Gamecocks

and Wolverines split the first two contests before USC lost a thriller in the third match of the day.

The final doubles competition saw South Carolina come within two points of winning the match before Michigan forced a tiebreaker that would eventually favor the Wolverines.

“At No. 2 doubles, the effort was there to make a change. It just wasn’t significant enough,” Epley said. “When we got up 4-0, we really should’ve won that match.”

Epley pointed to a lack of aggression once the Gamecocks’ second doubles duo jumped out to an early lead as a factor in the loss.

Three of the six singles matches of the day were cut short, including a highly touted top-100 matchup between USC’s No. 96 Popova and Michigan’s No. 61 Ronit Yurovsky.

South Carolina will play archrival Clemson on Feb. 3 as it continues a road trip of away games until Feb. 23.

In Epley’s first year with USC, he is continuing to leave his mark on Gamecock tennis and striving to create a consummate contender in the world of collegiate tennis, and he sees this weekend in Ann Arbor as a sign the team is headed in the right direction.

“We’re building a program, and that doesn’t happen overnight,” Epley said. “I would have to say that overall I’m pleased with the weekend, I’m pleased with the progress that the girls are making and I’m very pleased with their ability to be engaged and work on the things that need to be worked on.”

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